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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554 OCT - 1 2002

PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Irene Flannery
Universal Service Administrative Company
2120 L Street – Suite 600
Washington, DC 20037

Re: CC Docket 96-45; Telecommunications Regulatory Board

of Puerto Rico Certification

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Flannery,

Pursuant to Section 54.313(a) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission"), 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a), the Telecommunications Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico ("the Board") hereby certifies that Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. and Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp., the currently eligible telecommunications carriers in Puerto Rico, will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. and Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. have demonstrated they will use the federal support in compliance with Commission rules in the attached sworn statements.

Respectfully submitted,

Macke Forsythe Isales
Phoebe Forsythe Isales

Chair

Attachments

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## SWORN STATEMENT

I, Luis E. Caldero Sánchez, of legal age, married, Tariff and Cost Separation Director of Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc., and resident of Bayamón, Puerto Rico, under the most solemn oath DO SWEAR:

- 1. That my name and personal circumstances are the above stated.
- 2. That the address for Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. is the following: PO Box 360998, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-0998.
- That the contact person for purposes of the Universal Service Certification is José
  E. Arroyo Dávila, Vice President of the Legal & Regulatory Department of Puerto
  Rico Telephone Company, Inc. (telephone number (787) 793-8441, fax number
   (787) 782-9545, e-mail address jarroyo@prtc.net).
- 4. That Puerto Rico Telephone Company will use the funds pertaining to the High Cost Fund for their intended purposes, in accordance with FCC regulations.

5. That the above stated is the truth and nothing but the truth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I sign these presents in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, on aber 27, 2002.

Affidavit No: 825

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO before me by Luis E. Caldero Sánchez, of the personal circumstances above mentioned, personally known to me in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2002.

Marie W. M. M. M. M. NOTARY PUBLIC

E. CALDERO SANCHEZ

## Affidavit of Alvaro Pilar

- My name is Alvaro Pilar. I am Vice President & General Manager of Centennial Puerto Rico Operations Corp. ("Centennial").
- I hereby certify that federal universal service support received by Centennial will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

September **9**, 2002

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 19 day of September 2002

My Commission Expires: permanent

